

Ceramic Jewellery and Miniatures

Course Overview

This 7-week course will give you the chance to work with clay on a small scale, using design work and various decorative techniques to develop and make a range of ceramic jewellery or miniature sculptures, using your own unique motifs. We will use hand-building and slabbing techniques, plaster stamps and moulds, and you can try your hand at colouring porcelain clay with stains and pigments. You will be encouraged to use a sketchbook to design and develop your ideas, produce test-tiles and keep a note of the techniques and processes you use to inform your final piece.

What you will learn

During this course you will be: Exploring the potential and limitations of plastic clay and porcelain in the development of small-scale, experimental, and non-functional objects. Using a diverse range of source materials to design and develop motifs, surface pattern and forms. Embellishment of traditional jewellery shapes, brooches, earrings and pendants, or abstract miniature sculptures. You will understand the basics of test-tiles, staining clays, glazing bisqueware and firing. Health and safety in the workshop will also be covered.

Entry Requirements

No previous experience is necessary, just an interest in the subject.

How you will be assessed

There are no assessments or exams. Your tutor will support and guide you through the course and help you develop your skills through one-to-one feedback. Your tutor will agree individual targets with you.

Course Fees

There are no additional costs

Course Progression

This course is designed to provide you with the knowledge and skills to progress onto other areas of practical crafts. You will have opportunities to progress onto more advanced courses, or you may wish to take your experience forward into designing and producing your own work at home, utilising the skills you have developed.

What Happens Next

You will be contacted to attend an interview if required, or you will be sent a conditional offer according to the entry requirements for the course. You will then be invited in to enrol for your chosen course of study. For enrol and pay courses: Once you have decided to take the course, you need to fill in a short learner details form online and pay the course fee. Once you have done this, you will receive an electronic confirmation of enrolment and payment.

Course Details

Course Code	P00617
Start Date	30/10/2025
Study Hours	Part Time
Duration	7 weeks
Campus	St Margaret's Campus
Level	1

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